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Ms. Jocelyn Boyd  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Application of South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings  
LLC, d/b/a Spirit Communications for a Certificate of Public  
Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange and  
Interexchange Telecommunications Services, and for Flexible and  
Alternative Regulation


Dear Ms. Boyd:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings, LLC, d/b/a Spirit Communications in the above-referenced matter is a Motion for Confidential Treatment of Applicant's financial statements. The enclosed financial statements are being provided under seal.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 2014-\_\_\_\_-C

IN RE:

Application of South Carolina Telecommunications )  
Group Holdings LLC, d/b/a Spirit Communications )  
For a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity )  
To Provide Resold and Facilities-Based Local Exchange and )  
Interexchange Telecommunications Services, and for )  
Flexible Regulation of its Local Exchange Services and )  
Alternative Regulation of its Interexchange Service )  
Offerings Within the State of South Carolina )  
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**MOTION REQUESTING THAT MATERIALS BE TREATED AS CONFIDENTIAL**

South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings LLC, d/b/a Spirit Communications (“Spirit” or “Applicant”) respectfully requests that the South Carolina Public Service Commission (the “Commission”) grant confidential treatment of its Financial Statements, which are provided as Exhibit C to its Application in the above-referenced proceeding. This motion is made on the following grounds:

1. By its Application, Spirit seeks authority to provide resold and facilities-based local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina. As evidence of its financial ability to provide the services for which it seeks certification, and as required by S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-280(B)(1), Spirit has attached to its Application as Exhibit C Consolidated Financial Statements of Spirit Communications for the years ended December 31,

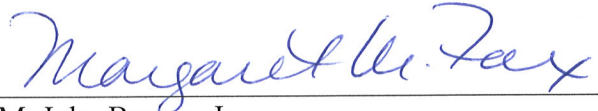
2013 and December 31, 2012.

2. Spirit is a privately-held company operating in a competitive market. The information contained in its financial statements is confidential, proprietary, competitively-sensitive business and financial information which, if disclosed, would cause competitive harm to Spirit. Protection of such confidential and proprietary information is consistent with Commission precedent. *See, e.g.*, Commission Hearing Examiner Directive dated July 18, 2013 in Docket No. 2013-267-C.

3. In accordance with the Commission's guidelines, as set out in Commission Order No. 2005-226, "Order Requiring Designation of Confidential Materials," Spirit has submitted a proprietary copy of the financial statements in a sealed envelope with each page marked "Confidential" in red ink.

WHEREFORE, South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings LLC, d/b/a Spirit Communications, respectfully requests that the Commission grant confidential treatment to its financial statements provided as Exhibit C to the Application in the above-reference proceeding, as described herein and filed under seal in the above-referenced docket.

Respectfully submitted,



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